#### AWAITING THE TARIFF LAW-MINING IN

ALASKA-JAPAN'S PROGRESS.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] San Francisco, March 13.-All Californians are eagerly waiting for the assemblage of the extra ession of Congress, for upon its action in regard to the tariff and the beet sugar industry will depend the prosperity of the State for the next four years. Growers of wheat, wool, wine and fruit are expecting to see the old high tariff restored, for without it there will be small profit in the production of any of these staples. To the beet-sugar growers the action of Congress means even more. They claim that if Hawaiian reciprocity is continued, the beet sugar factories cannot pay any profits, for the island planters get the bonus of two and a half cents a pound which ought to be given to the producer of sugar in this State. There are 34,000 acres in sugar eets in California now, but this acreage could be increased a hundredfold, as large tracts of rich valley land are especially suited to the growth of beets, producing a higher percentage of sugar than the product of lands in any other State. Claus Spreckels, the sugar millionaire, will soon begin the erection near Salinas in Menterey County, of the largest beet sugar factory in the world. Its capacity will be 3,000 tons of beets daily, yielding over 1,000,000 pounds of sugar, and it will be run night and day for five months. It will thus produce more sugar than three big factories at Watsonville, Chino

Judge W. W. Morrow, of the United States District Court, lectured here this week on "The Federal Government" before the Young Men's Institute, a Roman Catholic Society. His lect-ure was a popular exposition of the main feat-ures of our Government.

The necrology of the week includes Father John Rinasco, one of the prominent Jesuit educators, who had been president of St. Ignatius College in this city, and head of the Santa Clara Catholic College; Gustave Sutro, a cousin of the millionaire projector of the Sutro Tunnel, and K. H. Wade, general manager of the Atchison lines in Southern California, who died suddenly in Los Apgeles.

The French Opera Company opened this week under many disadvantages, as the troupe were delayed an entire day by a washout in Arizona. The critics agreed that the leading singers showed they possessed good voices, but better stage management will be required if the season is to prove a success. season is to prove a success.

Fanny Davenport arrived here this week after four years' absence. She will give "Gismonda" at the Baldwin, with the same elaborate stage setting and scenic effects that made her "Cleopatra" noteworthy. James A. Herne closed to-night his three weeks' engagement at the Baldwin in "Shore Acres." He has drawn good houses, and the play has scored a success equal to that of "Shenandoah" or "Alabama."

Southern California orange-growers will get large returns for their fruit this season, as the New-York demand is stronger than for several years. The shipments of oranges thus far amount to 4,000 carloads, and it is estimated that 2,400 cars are yet to be dispatched.

The sudden illness and death of ex-Senator Dolph at Portland proved a great shock to his many friends here. If will power could avail to ward off disease, Dolph would have had many more years of life. Though very weak physically, he showed Roman fortitude, and did not give up hope until he began rapidly to lose strength, after the surgical operation for the removal of a leg made necessary by gangrene.

grene.

A big crowd of miners will start from Seattle for the Yukon as soon as the season in Alaska will permit. The rivalry between steamship lines is keen and lower rates may be expected. The Juneau Mining Company recently organized by the Exploration Company of London will begin this season the most extensive mining operations in this country in the Silver Bow Basin back of Juneau. The low grade ore is all on a steep hillside, so that no hoists or pumping works will be needed. The vein has been traced 180 feet, but with diamond drills this summer it will be tested for 1,000 feet. If it holds out, a 500-stamp mill will be erected, the largest in the world, and more than twice the size of the Treadwill Mill, on Douglas Island, which has only 240 stamps. As the ore can be mined for \$1 25 a ton and yields \$4 81 a ton, the enormous profits may be seen.

The outlook for British Columbia seal poach-

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#### A SYBARITE.

From The Lady's Pictorial. From The Lady's Pictorial.

Not long ago I wanted to define a "sybarite" for the information of my young people, and I could not think of an apt illustration; but last week I went late in the evening to call on Lady — She was dressing for dinner, and her maid had placed all her bracelets and her necklace to warm before the fire, upon a small cushion. It was, she said, her invariable habit in winter to have her ornaments thus heated. In future I felt that I should not be at a less for a definition of the word "sybarite."

#### COTTON RIVER RESOURCES.

A TALK WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

WATER ENOUGH FOR TWENTY YEARS PROB-ABLY-THE NEAREST ADDITIONAL SUP-PLY-THE JEROME PARK RESERVOIR

AND THE BIG CROTON DAM. In talking about the question of the city's future water supply General James C. Duane, president of the Croton Aqueduct Commission, said yesterday, when seen at the office of the Commission

in the Stewart Building: "This Commission has no direct interest in any plan for bringing water to New-York from any place outside of the Croton Valley, although as individuals we naturally feel an interest in any plan that may be under consideration. If it were practicable to go outside of the State, it would not be a serious problem to get water enough for Greater New-York for a long time to come. The difficulty in that case, however, would be to control the sources of supply in such a way as to prevent them from being polluted. As far as New-Jersey is concerned, I doubt whether we should be allowed to get water from their rivers under any circumstances, for they feel that in time they will need it all for their own cities. The Housatonic River would furnish us with a large supply, but we should have to go into other States for it. That river has, I suppose, a watershed of a thousand square miles, and a large quantity could be

"In this State the only nearby additional supply of importance is to be had from the Ten-Mile River, in Dutchess County. That river drains an area of perhaps 200 square miles, and while no accurate surveys have been made, it is estimated we could get a daily supply of 150,000,000 gallons from that source. This could be delivered into the Croton Valley and reach New-York through the existing aqueducts. As for the Croton Valley itself, there water enough there to last the city probably twenty years, without putting any great restriction on the use of it by the people. If meters should be generally used, of course the supply would last much longer. But there is a decided feeling among our people against the use of water meters, and probably they will be resorted to only in case of necessity. At the same time the increase in consumption has been enormous since the completion of the new aqueduct in 1890. Before that New-York used a little over 100,000,000 gallons a day; now the amount carried through the two aqueducts is about 240,000,000 gallons a day. If the increase should go on at that ratio, we would have to go outside of the Croton Valley much sooner than I said.

POSSIBLE SOURCES OF SUPPLY.

"There have been some estimates made regarding the cost of bringing water to these cities from the Adirondack region; the Great Lakes have also been considered as a possible source of supply, and a further investigation is contemplated by the Legislature. Either of those projects would be enormously expensive, costing possibly \$250,000,000, and it is doubtful whether the State will go to such an expense for the benefit of the cities, even if the cities arrange to pay for the water used, so as to meet the interest on the outlay and even provide a sinking fund to pay off the entire amount in time.

"It seems to me, practically, that we will have to look for an additional supply nearer home, especially if we have to provide water for Brooklyn and the other parts of the city after it is en-larged. Brooklyn, I understand, will need more water soon. There is water enough on Long Island, as I am informed; but to take it for Brooklyn is to deprive the people of the island of what properly belongs to them, and naturally they protest. Then, too, all the water got out there has to be pumped two or three times, and that is a costly way of getting water to a city.

"I do not believe any water could be furnished to Brooklyn from the Croton Valley, but if Ten Mile River were turned into the valley it would be possible to run a pipe across the East River from the reservoir in Central Park. Such a pipe

180 feet, but with diamond drills this summer it will be tested for 1,000 feet. If it holds out, a 500-stamp mill will be erected, the largest in the world, and more than twice the size of the Treadwill Mill, on Douglas Island, which has only 240 stamps. As the ore can be mined for \$1.25 a ton and yields \$4.81 a ton, the enormous profits may be seen.

The outlook for British Columbia seal poachers is gloomy, as the Indian hunters have refused to ship for less than \$3 a skin. At the low price of sealskins this leaves no margin of profit, so that the prospect is that Behring Sea will be free from seal pirates this season.

Several cargoes of steel rails have been sent recently from Seattle to Kobe for new Japanese railroads, and a steamer left Philadelphia this week with thirty-five locomotives and 3,005 tons of rails for a Japanese road. So absorbed are the Japanese in material development of their own country since the war with China that they have ceased to flock into Hawaii, and the immigration to California has fallen off largely.

THE SYAKE SWALLOWED THE CUR.

"The new Croton River dam is now well under is doubtful whether that will be done. This is the dam that will take the place of the one proposed at Quaker Bridge, which was a good deal dis-



THE SICK MILLIONAIRE. "Now, doctor, tell me how much I owe you "Oh, my dear sir, give me whatever you war "No, no, doctor; that would be too expensi

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12 size, open face, plain case, screw back, 17 jeweled movement, \$21.48.

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18 size, fancy engraved and engine turned, \$7.98; 16 size, same case, \$8.85. 16 size, fancy engraved case, open face, \$27.98. Also, 16 size, 14 kt. Solid Gold Hunting Case, engraved and engine turned, \$30.48.

#### Men's Silver Watches.

Coin Silver, open face, 16 size, engraved and engine turned, \$7.98.

18 size, Hunting Case, coin silver, engraved, \$7.75.

Sportsmen's Watches, ore silver, screw case, open faces, 18 size, Waltham movement, \$5.25.

Coachmen's and Carriage Watches, ore silver, standard movement, open face, screw back, \$3.25.

Boys' coin silver, hunting case, fancy engraved. Boys' coin silver, hunting case, fancy engraved, 6 size, \$5.65.

#### Ladies' Watches.

Gold-filled Hunting Case and Chatelaine Watches, 20 year guarantee-0 size, plain and engraved and engine turned Hunting Case, \$11.98.
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14 kt. Solid Gold Hunting Case Watches-

fancy engraved case, \$17.25 and 17.89.
0 size, plain case, with genuine diamond, \$21.89.
10 kt. Solid Gold Hunting Case, fancy engraved and engine turned, \$14.75.
14 kt. Solid Gold Chatelaine Case, 0 size, plain finish, \$17.75.

Gold-filled Chatelaine Watches, 15year guarantee-0 size, engraved case, \$9.98.

#### Ladies' Coin Silver Watches:

Small size Chatelaine, gold inlaid, fancy engraved case, \$7.25.

Hunting Case, engraved, small size, \$8.25; same style engine turned, \$7.98.

Hunting Case, small size, sold inlaid, fancy engraved, \$10.49.

Hunting Case, small size, fancy engraved case, \$7.98.

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Some of the Latest Foreign Novelties to be Shown for the First Time To-Morrow,

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48-inch French Whipcords in the new mixtures, \$1.48 per yard.
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750 dozen Ladles' Handkerchiefs, four corners hand embroidered, one-quarter and one-half

12 1-2 cts. Each instead of 25 cts.:

200 dozen Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, scolloped and loop edges, neat and showy de-

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Cheviot Suits in black or colors, tight-fitting jacket, trimmed with braid and lined with slik, skirt with Percaline lining, \$12.90.

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English Cravenette Garments,

Thoroughly rainproof, with double or single cape, lined with silk in blue with Scotch plaid linings, or black with black silk linings, \$10.50 instead of \$14.50.

Children's Wash Dresses,

One piece, trimmed with embroidery, ruffles and fancy yokes, 4 to 12 years, at 35, 55, 69, 98 cts., and \$1.75.

## Untrimmed Straw Hats.

Over 5,000 Styles, and Every New Braid, Color and Combination. Two especially good offers are made for to-morrow.

50 dozen large Hats for Misses, newest colorings and shapes, extra quality, light weight Jap braids, at 48 cts. each.

125 dozen large hats for Ladies and Misses, in fancy and plain braids, in all the new colorings and combinations, at 58 cts. each.

#### French Flowers and Foliage.

The correct ornamentation for this season.

Every kind of Flower and Foliage, in all the natural effects, direct from the makers in Paris, 100 dozen bunches Silk and Velvet Crushed Roses, Paris made, forty colorings, two Roses and two Buds in a bunch, at 15 cts. per bunch,

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Now so much in demand for dress Trimmings. Ours is the only complete assortment, including all the new shades in Satin back Velvet Ribbons from 1 to 31 inches wide.

1,200 pieces Black Satin back Velvet Ribbons, 1 to 3% inches wide, 10 to 35 cts. per yard, about half of regular prices.

### Furniture.

Iron Bedsteads Greatly Reduced.

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\$7.00 \$9.00 \$10.75	Bedsteads	for	85.80.	\$12.00	for
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Gilt Chairs at Half Price. Gilt Chairs, elegant designs, full upholstered seats, covered with embroidered Satin in beautiful colorings, \$9.00, instead of \$18.00.



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Lot 1—Men's fine gauge Colored Cotton Half Hose, spliced heels and toes, tan and stains black, also Children's Ribbed Tan Cotton Hose, sale price, 9 ets, per pair.

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Lot 3—Ladies' fine quality Black Lisle Thread Hose, plain and ribbed, and extra quality Colored Cotton Hose, tan, black, fancy colored uppers, with stainless black boots, also Men medium weight black and tan Half Hose, sale price, 19 cts, per pair.

Lot 4—Ladies' extra quality Colored Lisle Thread Hose, tan, mode, black and high extended pupers with stainless black boots, ribbed and plain, also Ingrain Black Silk-plated Hose, sale price, 25 cts, per pair.

Lot 5—Ladies' extra fine quality Colored Lisle Thread Hose, tan, black, assorted colored uppers with stainless black boots, plain and ribbed, sale price, 3 pairs for \$1.00.

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Men's extra fine grade medium weight Colored Merino Shirts, with Silk fronts, also referred Drawers to match, regular \$1.50 quality, at 98 cts. each.

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Stafford's new black Ink, 3 oz. bottles, 2 cts.

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Hand woven Hinod Rugs, 36x72, \$1.00, instead of \$2.00.
J. Bromley & Son's Royal Smyrna Rugs, 26x54, \$1.85, instead of \$2.98.
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